

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

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Abstract

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A catch brake for a trunk lid of a motor vehicle is proposed, as well as a trunk lid opening system for slowing the opening movement of the trunk lid upon reaching its open position, a tubular hinge bail [(3)] of the trunk lid being braked in a substantially U-shaped receiver [(4)] by a clamping action and prevented from rebounding, the receiver [(4)] being provided with tapering lateral brake cheeks [(5)] with a continuous taper in the direction of the opening movement, so that a narrowing clamping receiver is formed.